



AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION
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PATENT APPLICATION

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In re Application of:

TETSUYOSHI ISHIWATA et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

Applicants respond to the Office Action, dated December 23, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 12212004), in the above-identified application, as follows:

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